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Security Council

10 a.m.	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room
	Guinea-Bissau (S/2006/783)	
	Letter dated 4 July 2006 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/2006/481)	
	Other matters	

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

General Committee

3 p.m.	1st informal meeting (closed)	Conference Room 5

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Informal consultations on agenda item 71 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments)

10 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 6

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Main Committees

First Committee

10 a.m.–1p.m. 4th meeting Conference R

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (items 97); *item 82* (A/61/133 and A/61/133/Add.1); *item 83* (A/61/183 and A/61/190); *i* 84; *item 85* (A/61/161); *item 86*; *item 87* (A/61/140 (Part I)); *item 88*; *item 89*; *ite* (A/61/98, A/61/112, A/61/113, A/61/114, A/61/116, A/61/118, A/61/118/Add.1, A/61/124, A/61/127, A/61/159, A/61/159/Corr.1, A/61/164, A/61/168, A/61/169, A/61/169/Add.1, A/61/171, A/61/171/Add.1, A/61/185, A/61/261, A/61/288, A/61 and A/61/344–S/2006/741); *item 91* (A/61/130, A/61/130/Corr.1, A/61/137, A/61 A/61/163, A/61/215 and A/61/365); *item 92* (A/61/42 (Suppl. 42), A/61/180 and A/61/297); *item 93* (A/61/160 (Part II)); *item 94*; *item 95* (A/61/123); *item 96* (A and A/61/184); and *item 97*

[Other documents: A/C.1/61/1 and A/C.1/61/2]

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3–6 p.m. 4th meeting Conference I

1. General debate
2. Hearing of representatives of the Non-Self-Governing Territory
3. Hearing of petitioners (A/C.4/61/2, A/C.4/61/3, A/C.4/61/3/Add.1, A/C.4/61/3/A A/C.4/61/3/Add.3, A/C.4/61/3/Add.4, A/C.4/61/3/Add.5, A/C.4/61/4, A/C.4/61/4 A/C.4/61/4/Add.2, A/C.4/61/4/Add.3, A/C.4/61/4/Add.4, A/C.4/61/4/Add.5, A/C.4/61/4/Add.6, A/C.4/61/4/Add.7, A/C.4/61/4/Add.8, A/C.4/61/4/Add.9, A/C.4/61/4/Add.10, A/C.4/61/4/Add.11, A/C.4/61/4/Add.12, A/C.4/61/4/Add.13, A/C.4/61/4/Add.14, A/C.4/61/4/Add.15, A/C.4/61/4/Add.16, A/C.4/61/4/Add.17, A/C.4/61/4/Add.18, A/C.4/61/4/Add.19, A/C.4/61/4/Add.20, A/C.4/61/4/Add.21, A/C.4/61/4/Add.22, A/C.4/61/4/Add.23, A/C.4/61/4/Add.24, A/C.4/61/4/Add.25, A/C.4/61/4/Add.26, A/C.4/61/4/Add.27, A/C.4/61/4/Add.28, A/C.4/61/4/Add.29, A/C.4/61/4/Add.30, A/C.4/61/4/Add.31, A/C.4/61/4/Add.32, A/C.4/61/4/Add.33, A/C.4/61/4/Add.34, A/C.4/61/4/Add.35 and A/C.4/61/5)

Second Committee

10 a.m.–1 p.m. 6th meeting Conference

Conclusion of the general debate

Jamaica

United Arab Emirates

Iraq

Kenya

El Salvador

Mongolia

Uruguay

Fiji

Burkina Faso

Cameroon

Lesotho (on behalf of the South African Development Community)

Myanmar

Nepal

Maldives

Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)

Syrian Arab Republic

United Nations Industrial Development Organization

Third Committee

3–6 p.m. 5th meeting Conference Room 1

1. Crime prevention and criminal justice (A/61/96, A/61/135, A/61/178, A/61/179, A/61/284, A/C.3/61/L.2 and A/C.3/61/L.3) [98]
2. International drug control (A/61/208-S/2006/598 and A/61/221) [99]

Introductory statement followed by "question time"

General discussion

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. 296th meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 10

1. Enhancing the role of the subregional offices of the Economic Commission for Africa
2. Executive session on the renovation to the residence of the Secretary-General
3. Mini-executive session on human resources management

Informal consultations convened by delegations

Wednesday, 4 October 2006

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the Convention on Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapon and on Their Destruction", under agenda item 90 (p) (First Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Poland)

3–4 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room

Other meetings

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Wednesday, 4 October 2006

Friends of the International Criminal Court: Meeting with the President of the Court

9–10 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on commodities)

10–11 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room

Group of 77 (Third Committee: item 60 (Social development))

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on the International Year of Natural Fibres)

11 a.m.–12 noon Closed meeting Conference Room B

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on financing for development)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

African Group: Group of Experts on Economic Matters

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Informal exchange of views with the delegations of the Group of Asian States to the First Committee (organized by the United States Mission)

1.15–2 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 9

Meeting of the Group of Interested States of the Special Court for Sierra Leone: Briefing by the Acting Prosecutor and the Registrar of the Special Court

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Open-ended meeting on "Harmonising standards for the import, export and transfer of conventional arms: Towards an arms trade treaty" (organized by the Permanent Missions of Argentina, Australia, Costa Rica, Finland, Japan, Kenya and the United Kingdom)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Southern African Development Community (SADC) (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting *Conference Room 5*

Group of the Least Developed Countries

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

JUSCANZ Group (Second Committee)

From 9 to 10 a.m., at the Permanent Mission of Canada.

Other activities

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Wednesday, 4 October 2006

Presentation of the Four Nations Initiative on Governance and Management of the United Nations (an initiati launched by Chile, South Africa, Sweden and Thailand, to address issues of United Nations reform) (organize by the Permanent Mission of Sweden)

From 3 to 4 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[All members of Permanent and Observation Missions are invited to attend.]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative, up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm>.

Wednesday, 4 October 2006

Room S-226

10.30 a.m.	Mr. Romani Rose, Chairman of the Central Council of German Sinti and Roma (on t protection and promotion of human rights of the Roma and Sinti minorities in Europ [sponsored by the Permanent Mission of Germany]
Guest at 12 noon	Mr. Jean-Marie Guéhenno, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations (o the surge of peacekeeping operations)
3 p.m.	Mr. Djoko Susilo (Indonesia); Ms. Loretta Ann P. Rosales (Philippines); and Senator John Ungphakorn (Thailand), members of the ASEAN Inter-Parliamentarian Caucus Democracy in Burma (on "UN-Asia cooperation to address the situation of human rights in Myanmar") [Sponsored by the Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic]

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Informal consultations on agenda item 71 (b) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

The open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on agenda item 71 (b) (Sustainable fisheries, including through the 1995 Agreement for the Implementation the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 Decem 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, and related instruments) will continue until Friday, 6 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6, an on Monday, 9 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conferen Room 8.

Main Committees

Second Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all other items allocated to the Second Committee is open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Dolores Lois (tel. 1 (212) 963-2184; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Ms. Vivian Pliner, Acting Secretary of the Second Committee (room S-2950E; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Side event

A presentation to the Second Committee on the findings of the ad hoc expert group meeting on "Strengthening the business sector and entrepreneurship in developing countries: The potential of diasporas" will be held on Friday, 6 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

The event, organized by the Financing for Development Office, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be presided over by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Second Committee, and moderated by Mr. Jomo Kwame Sundaram, Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Keynote address

A keynote address on the theme "Globalization and interdependence: The Future of globalization: Growing complexities and challenges and search for solutions" will be delivered by Dr. Kenneth Rogoff, Thomas D. Cabot Professor of Public Policy and Professor of Economics, Harvard University, Cambridge, on Monday, 9 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 2.

The event, organized by the Office of Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will be presided over by H.E. Mrs. Tiina Intelmann (Estonia), Chairperson of the Second Committee. Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Third Committee

List of speakers

The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee is open. Delegations are kindly requested to consult the draft programme of work of the Third Committee (A/C.3/61/L.1) prior to contacting the Secretariat with their request for inscription on the list (contact: Ms. Nancy Beteta (tel. 1 (212) 963-5722; fax 1 (212) 963-5935)).

Participants

Delegations that have not submitted the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are reminded to convey such information to the Secretary of the Third Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (room S-2950D; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

Fifth Committee

Informal briefings will be held as follows:

Thursday, 5 October 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3:

1. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (by Mr. Mark Gilpin, Secretary of the Committee on Contributions);
2. Procurement (by Mr. Warren Sach, Controller of the United Nations, and Mr. Jayantilal Karia, Director, Accounts Division, Office of Programme Planning, Budget and Accounts); and

Friday, 6 October 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3:

Human resources management (by Ms. Jan Beagle, Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management).

The Fifth Committee will hold its 2nd meeting on Monday, 9 October 2006, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3.

The programme of work for the sixty-first session, as well as other relevant information relating to the organization of work and the status of documentation, is available on the Web site of the Fifth Committee and is regularly updated (<www.un.org/ga/61/fifth>).

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Fifth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Fifth Committee (Ms. Catherina David-Dakay (tel. 1 (212) 963-9223; fax 1 (212) 963-0360)).

Delegations are further reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, should be submitted to Mr. Movses Abelian, Secretary of the Fifth Committee (room S-2633-A; fax 1 (212) 963-0360).

Sixth Committee

The Sixth Committee will hold its first meeting on Tuesday, 10 October 2006, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

The provisional programme of work for the sixty-first session, as well as other relevant information relating to the organization of work and the status of documentation, is available on the Web site of the Sixth Committee and is regularly updated (<www.un.org/law/cod/sixth/61/sixth61.htm>).

The hard copy of the report of the International Law Commission has been issued (A/61/10). Its electronic version is also available in all official languages at <http://untreaty.un.org/ilc/reports/2006/2006report.htm>.

List of speakers

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (Ms. Marissa Amores (tel. 1(212) 963-5332; fax 1 (212) 963-1963)).

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities

Drafting Committee

The Drafting Committee of the Ad Hoc Committee on a Comprehensive and Integral International Convention on the Protection and Promotion of the Rights and Dignity of Persons with Disabilities will hold an informal meeting (closed) on Friday, 6 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Economic and Social Council

Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters
Second session

The second session of the Committee of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters will take place from Monday, 30 October, to Friday, 3 November 2006, in Conference Room XX, at the Palais des Nations, Geneva.

Delegations are kindly requested to submit the names of observers to the Financing for Development Office, DESA (fax 1 (212) 963-0443; e-mail ffdoffice@un.org). For further information, please contact Mr. Masa Ohyama, Financing for Development Office (tel. 1 (212) 963-4695; e-mail ohyama@un.org).

[illegible] consultations convened by delegations

Informal "informal" consultations on the draft resolution on cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization, under agenda item 108 (d) (convened by the delegation of the Russian Federation)

Thursday, 5 October 2006, from 9 to 9.45 a.m. in Conference Room B.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on international cooperation against the drug problem, under agenda item 98 (convened by the delegation of Mexico)

Thursday, 5 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 3; and

Friday, 6 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on the report of the Conference on Disarmament, under agenda item 92 (c) (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of Slovakia)

Thursday, 5 October 2006, from 3.45 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on improving coordination of efforts against slavery and trafficking in persons, under agenda item 98 (convened by the delegation of Belarus)

Monday, 9 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C;

Wednesday, 11 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room C; and

Friday, 13 October 2006, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution on transparency in armaments, under agenda item 90 (aa) (First Committee) (convened by the delegation of the Netherlands)

Monday, 9 October 2006, from 1 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal Consultations on the draft resolution on strengthening the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme, in particular its technical cooperation capacity, under agenda item 98 (convened by the delegation of Italy)

Monday, 9 October 2006, from 3.30 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 6; and

Wednesday, 11 October 2006, from 3.30 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room C.

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapon and on Their Destruction", under agenda item 90 (p) (First Committee) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Poland)

Tuesday, 10 October 2006, from 2 to 3 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Friends of the International Criminal Court

Meeting with the President of the Court (for the African Group)
Thursday, 5 October 2006, from 9 to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6;

Friends of the International Criminal Court
Tuesday, 10 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room B; and

Briefing by the Chief Prosecutor of the Court
Tuesday, 17 October 2006, from 3 to 5.30 p.m. in the Penthouse of the Dag Hammarskjöld Library.

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States (briefing on the "Global Study on Violence against Children", by the Independent Expert on Violence against Children)

Thursday, 5 October 2006, from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

2006 United Nations Disarmament Fellowship Programme

Thursday, 5 October–Wednesday, 1 November 2006, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room E.

Group of 77 (briefing on the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction)

Thursday, 5 October 2006, from 12 noon to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Informal exchanges of views (closed) with the delegations of the regional groups to the First Committee (organized by the United States Mission)

Group of Eastern European States
Thursday, 5 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 9;

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States
Friday, 6 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 8; and

Group of Western European and Other States
Monday, 9 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

Eastern European Group (at the ambassadorial level) (briefing by the Independent Expert on Violence against Children)

Thursday, 5 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 5.

Non-Aligned Movement (on First Committee matters): Working Group on Disarmament (informal consultations)

Thursday, 5 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Non-Aligned Movement: Coordinating Bureau

Tuesday, 10 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Informal meeting to discuss the draft resolution on "Information on confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms", under agenda item 90 (z) (for First Committee delegates) (organized by the delegation of Argentina)

Thursday 5, October 2006, from 2.45 to 3.45 p.m. in Conference Room A.

Informal briefing for members of the Special Committee on Peacekeeping on "Safety and security issues related to peacekeeping operations, including an update on the implementation of Joint Operations Centres and Joint Mission Analysis Centres" (organized by the Department of Peacekeeping Operations and the Department of Safety and Security)

Friday, 6 October 2006, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Jolanda Profos, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (tel. 1 (917) 367-3689; e-mail profos@un.org).]

Informal briefing on the evaluation of UNDP support to conflict-affected countries, followed by a brief informal presentation on the assessment of UNIDO-UNDP partnership agreement (organized by the United Nations Development Programme)

Monday, 9 October 2006, from 3 to 4.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

[Interested delegations are invited to attend.]

Asian Group (monthly meeting)

Friday, 27 October 2006, from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Other forthcoming activities

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Introduction of two reports of the Secretary-General entitled "The New Partnership for Africa's Development: fourth consolidated report on progress in implementation and international support" (A/61/212) and "Implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa" (A/61/213); and launching of the report entitled "The contribution of the private sector to the implementation of NEPAD" (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa)

Thursday, 5 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

Panel discussion on "Institutional challenges to the implementation of the New Partnership for Africa's Development" (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa)

Thursday, 12 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Ejeviome Otobo, Policy Analysis Unit, OSAA (tel. 1 (212) 962-5006); or Ms. Rekia Soumana, OSAA (tel. 1 (212) 963-9247; e-mail soumana@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "The role of interreligious dialogue in conflict resolution" (organized by the United States Mission)

Friday, 6 October 2006, from 1.30 to 3 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Peggy Kerry, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4054; e-mail kerryp@state.gov).]

Panel discussion on "The role of specific sectors in addressing, preventing and eliminating violence against women", to mark the presentation of the Secretary-General's in-depth study on violence against women to the General Assembly (organized by the Division for the Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Monday, 9 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend.]

Seminar on "Verifying the comprehensive nuclear test ban: Ten years of development" (sponsored by the Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC) and facilitated by the Department for Disarmament Affairs)

Monday, 9 October 2006, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, contact Ms. Jane Awford, VERTIC (tel. 011-44-207-065-0880).]

Update on the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction — Planned commitments and joint resourcing (organized by the Permanent Missions of Ecuador and Switzerland and the ISDR secretariat)

Tuesday, 10 October 2006, from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Elina Palm, ISDR New York Liaison Officer (e-mail palm@un.org).]

Announcements

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from *today*, 4 October 2006, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council (<www.un.org/Docs/sc>).

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (room S-394).

UNITAR Fellowship Programme at Columbia University Law School and UNITAR Visitors Programme at New York University School of Law, for diplomats accredited to the United Nations

The deadline for registration is Monday, 23 October 2006. For further information, please contact the UNITAR office (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9684 or 963-9196; e-mail goldschmidt@un.org; or info@unitarny.org).

Summary of official meetings

Tuesday, 3 October 2006

General Assembly

Sixty-first session

Main Committees

First Committee

3rd meeting

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and related international security agenda items. Statements were made by the representatives of Indonesia, Mongolia, Colombia, Australia, Kenya, Nigeria (on behalf of the African Union), Kuwait, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Eritrea, Iraq, Senegal, the Philippines, Iceland and the United Arab Emirates.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

3rd meeting

Agenda items 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate with statements by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Pakistan, India, Algeria, China, Indonesia, Namibia, Senegal, the the Islamic Republic of Iran, Botswana, Fiji, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Dominica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), the Congo, South Africa, Gabon and Uganda.

Right of reply

The representatives of the United Kingdom, India and Pakistan made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

The representative of Spain made a statement.

The Committee decided to extend the deadline for submission of draft proposals on Western Sahara (item 39) for 24 hours.

The Committee decided to extend the deadline for submission of draft proposals on Gibraltar (item 39) for 48 hours.

The Committee decided to take action on the rest of the draft resolutions submitted under items 35, 36, 37, 38 and 39, on Friday, 6 October.

Second Committee

4th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representativ of China, Ghana, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Lao People's Democratic Republic (on behalf of the landlocked developing countries), Singapore, the Sudan, Cuba, the United Republic of Tanzania, Malaysia, Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community) and Qatar.

A statement was also made by the representative of the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources.

Organization of work

The Chairperson made a statement.

5th meeting

General debate

The Committee continued its general debate and heard statements by the representativ of Ukraine (on behalf of Georgia, Ukraine, Azerbaijan and Moldova), Saudi Arabia, Croatia, Cambodia, Kazakhstan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Nigeria, Sri Lanka, Kuwait, Costa Rica and the Democratic People's Republic of Korea.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the Food and Agriculture Organization, the International Labour Organization and the World Bank.

Third Committee

3rd meeting

Social development . . . . . [6

(a) Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and of the twenty-fourth special session of the General Assembly

(b) Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation an to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family

(c) United Nations Literacy Decade: education for all

(d) Follow-up to the International Year of Older Persons: Second World Assembly o Ageing

The Committee continued its consideration of the sub-items and heard statements mad by the representatives of Belarus, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Finland, Norway, Australia, the United States, the United Arab Emirates, Colombia, Cuba, Sweden,

Denmark, Myanmar, Mongolia, Viet Nam, Oman, Germany, Suriname, the Syrian Arab Republic, India, Iraq, Mexico and the Russian Federation.

Organization of work

The Secretary made a statement.

4th meeting

The Committee continued its consideration of agenda item 60 and its sub-items and heard statements made by the representatives of Senegal, Indonesia, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Eritrea, Jamaica, the Netherlands, the Philippines, Nepal, Kenya, Thailand, Azerbaijan, Ukraine, El Salvador, Yemen, the United Republic of Tanzania, Qatar, Kazakhstan, the Congo, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and Nigeria.

The Committee has thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 60 and its sub-items (a), (b), (c) and (d).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network. Jakarta, 12 April 2006

Proposal of corrections by Azerbaijan and Kyrgyzstan to Annex I of the Agreement: (2 October 2006) [1]

Treaty event

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Opening for signature

The above Agreement was adopted by the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific at its sixty-second session by resolution number 62/4 on the Intergovernmental Agreement on the Trans-Asian Railway Network, held in Jakarta, Indonesia, on 12 April 2006.

It shall be open for signature by States, which are members of the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, at Busan, Republic of Korea, on 10 and 11 November 2006, during the Ministerial Conference on Transport, and thereafter at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 16 November 2006 to 31 December 2008.

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Certified true copies of the Agreement, of which the Chinese, English and Russian te are equally authentic, will be prepared and will be transmitted to all States as soon as feasible.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under the established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign a treaty on behal a State without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign a treaty must be in possession of appropriate full powers, which expressly authorize signature of a specified treaty by a named representative issued a signed by one of these authorities. Full powers are distinct from credentials. Credent alone are not adequate for the purpose of signing a treaty.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if States wishing to sign the Agreement cou notify and, as necessary, provide copies of the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters in New York (tel. 1 (212) 963-5047; fax 1 (212) 963-3693; e-mail treaty@un.org).

Political information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *October 2006* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Gambia
H.E. Mr. Crispin Grey-Johnson

Asian States:
Japan
H.E. Mr. Kenzo Oshima

Eastern European States:
Bosnia and Herzegovina
H.E. Mr. Miloš Prica

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Ecuador
H.E. Mr. Diego Cordovez

Western European and other States:
Liechtenstein
H.E. Mr. Christian Wenaweser

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General Assembly	**Documents**
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A/61/210/Add.1	Item 100 — Measures to eliminate international terrorism — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/61/256	Items 105 (a), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h), (i), (j), (k), (m), (n), (o), (p), (q), (r), (s) and (t) of the provisional agenda — Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations: Cooperation between the United Nations and the African Union — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Caribbean Community — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Community of Portuguese-speaking Countries — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Council of Europe — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization — Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization of la Francophonie — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union — Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization — Cooperation between the United Nations and the Southern African Development Community — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]

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ST/IC/2006/40	Information circular — United Nations competitive examination for statistical assistants (2006) [E (only)]

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